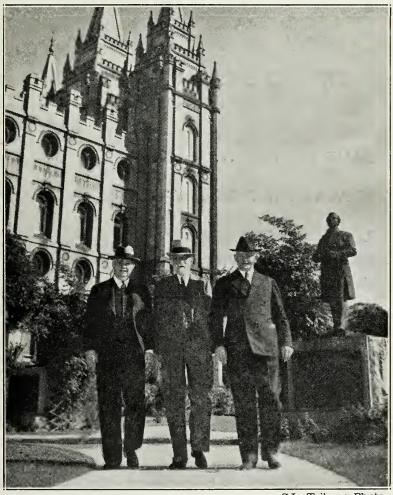
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#### THIS WEEK'S COVER-

 $\Delta$  N exceptionally fine photographic study is seen on this week's STAR cover. The First Presidency, Heber J. Grant, central figure, J. Reuben Clark, Jr., on the reader's left, and David O. McKay were snapped as they walked through Temple Square together. In the background is the world-famous Salt Lake City Temple and the Joseph Smith Memorial Monument. (See page 40)

## The Reality Of Christ

By PRESIDENT DAVID O. MCKAY

#### ADAPTED FROM A RECENT ADDRESS

It is interesting to note that those who reject as spurious the stories of the annunciation, of the miracles, and of the resurrection, have been forced to acknowledge a greatness in Christ, which can be attached to no other being on earth. With the exception of a few, such as Nietzsche who looks upon Christianity as "a most powerful instrument of racial degeneration," nearly all the critics after rejecting Christ's divinity, proclaim His mighty influence and His superiority to all other men.

Illustrative of this, let me refer to a paragraph or two from "The Great Galilean" by Keable:

"We do not know," he writes, "with anything approaching historical certainty of whom He (Jesus) was born, or when, or where; how long He lived, or how long He laboured; and the sayings which are indubitably His are a mere handful." After writing his story of the Galilean, he says, "Christ stands for the highest development of man; and, try as we will, we cannot see any other intelligent mind than man's in the universe. To the other forces that we dimly sense we cannot attribute personality, but to Christ we can and must. He is our God." True, the author is referring to a traditional Christ more than to the historical Christ when he says this, but the two quotations illustrate the point I am making.

Again, Lewis Browne, author of "The Believing World," says: "Almost two thousand years ago there was born in the Galilean village of Nazareth, a Jewish child to whom was given the name of Joshua, or Jesus. We do not know for certain how the early years of this child were spent." Which is true. "The Gospels recount many legends concerning his conception, birth, and youth, but they are no more to be relied on than the suspiciously similar legends told many centuries earlier about Zoroaster."

Yet, of the efficiency of the Church of Christ, this same critic says: It "has made life livable for countless millions of harried souls. It has taken rich and poor, learned and ignorant, white, red, yellow, and black—it has taken them all and tried to show them a way to salvation. To all in pain it has held out a balm; to all in distress it has offered peace. To every man without distinction it has said: Jesus died for you! To every human creature on earth it has said: 'You too can be saved!' And therein lies Christianity's highest virtue. It has helped make the weak strong and the dejected happy. It has stilled the fear that howls in man's breast, and crushed the unrest that gnaws at his soul. In a word, it has worked—in a measure."

Now, please come with me back to the time of Christ, and meet some of the men who knew Him and who worked with Him, among them the one who wrote that beautiful story of the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem.

In Corinth we meet a little brown-eyed tent maker, patiently working with calloused hands of his chosen trade. With him are two young men, one of who we know fairly well—Timotheus; of the other, Sylvanus, we know very little, and of him have no description. Paul, the tent maker, alternating his

work with dictation, is giving them a message to take back to the Thessa-Paul loved Timothy lonians. called him his own "son in the faith." Can you imagine any man who so loved a son telling him something thought lacked which the teller authenticity, or which was not real? I cannot. I mention this instance because the tent maker's words then sent to the Thessalonians are the oldest recorded testimony that we have of the Christ. When was it? Not earlier than 48 years after Christ, perhaps as late as 52 A.D., approximately fifteen years after the cruci-fixion! Many were then living who had walked with Jesus and talked with Him. Only fifteen years! Hundreds of men still living who could



President David O. McKay

testify of personal experiences with Jesus, the Christ!

Luke, who told us about the shepherds and the heavenly choir, was a man of education. He was a Greek of Grecian culture. He was a physician. Though he was not an eyewitness of the Christ, he met many who were, and then wrote two accounts which he dedicated either to a ruler or to a friend. In one of these he said: Christ "had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen: To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs." When Luke wrote that message he was convinced of the reality of the risen Christ, and accepted Him as the Saviour. Of the value and effect of such nearness and intimacy Mr. Nichols writes:

"The authors of the epistles were within hailing distance, historically, of Christ, at any rate, when their ideas, which they afterwards transmitted to paper, were formed. The winds had hardly had time to efface the sacred print of His steps in the sands over which He walked. The rain had hardly had time to wash away, with its callous tears, the blood from the rotting wood of the deserted cross.

"Yet, these men knew—I can't go on using the word 'believe,' which is far too vapid and colourless—that God had descended to earth in the shape of a certain Man, that this Man had met an obscene and clownish death, and that the grotesque mode of His dying had redeemed mankind from sin. They knew, moreover, that He had risen from the dead on the third day and ascended into heaven. It is no use saying that their minds were prepared for such legends because of the prophets, and

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## Why I Accepted Mormonism

By Marjorie E. Mason

(Hull District)

WAS brought up in the Church of England, that is to say, my parents sent me to Sunday services in the usual way, but after reaching the age when most people start making decisions for themselves, I stopped going to church as it held not the slightest interest for me.

It was on a baseball ground that I first came in contact with the Mormon missionaries. I was introduced to them by a member of the Church, but I did not then know the slightest thing about the Mormons.

After several talks with them they asked me to attend an M.I.A. outing. At first I was dubious about going, having heard by then from different people many queer tales. However, in the end, curiosity overcame doubts and I went. I enjoyed the outing immensely, for although I scarcely knew a person there I received a very friendly welcome.

After that I started attending meetings regularly and learned more about the Gospel every time I went. I learned about that great revelation, the Word of Wisdom, and commenced to put it into practice in my daily life, benefitting greatly from it.

Not long after, the Church held its annual conference, and for the first time I heard President Hugh B. Brown speak. As I listened to his words I became convinced that I needed to learn more about this glorious Gospel in which I was now interested. From then on I studied the Book of Mormon and other books willingly lent by the missionaries.

I liked, too, the wide scope of entertainment offered by the M.I.A. There is within this organization greater opportunity of developing undiscovered talents than in any other institute or church that I have contacted. I became active in the M.I.A., giving my first public speech a few weeks after my introduction to the Church.

I made many new friends and I was far happier than ever before due to my activity in the Church, and so I determined to delay joining no longer. I obtained my father's permission to be baptized, and had the ordinance performed one week before the annual conference at Bradford, to which I went proud and happy to be one of that great gathering.

As I am the only one in the family to become a Mormon my one desire now is to get my brothers and sisters interested in this great work, so that they too may know the happiness, peace and contentment that I have found in this, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## The Master Speaks Today

By President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

HE Lord speaking through Joseph Smith during a conference at Hiram, in November, 1831, declared:

"For behold, and lo, the Lord is God, and the Spirit

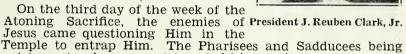
beareth record, and the record is true, and the truth abideth forever and

ever."

Truth only is eternal; error passeth away and is consumed.

In His later Judean mission Jesus at the Feast of the Tabernacles, speaking to those Jews who believed on Him, said, "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

John in the great paean of praise in which he poured out his soul at the opening of his Gospel declared: "Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."



put to rout, a lawyer next tempted him, saying:

"Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

"Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

"This is the first and great commandment.

"And the second it like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

"On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

"There is none other commandment greater than these.

"And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he:

"And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

"And when Jesus saw that he answered discretely, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask any question."

In His great prayer in the Garden, Jesus said:

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## The Light Of The World

By Elder Max W. McKeon

"THEN spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." (John 8: 12) These words Jesus spoke to a group of hard-hearted Jews who were trying their best to trap him in the law. Yet He was trying to keep them from stumbling over their own



follies and sins and turn to serving God instead of living in the paths of darkness and following the ruler of darkness. Jesus told the Jews that no man can serve two masters: "For either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon." Does the world believe these teachings from the lips of the Master?

If a specialist in medicine or surgery told a man that he should have an operation or lose his life, undoubtedly the man would submit to the operation in order to save his life. Yet when the greatest Specialist that the realm of religion has ever known speaks to mankind, the greater part ignore His words. Only God can sustain us in our realm. This mammon spoken of by Jesus or better known as Satan, the lover of darkness, can only tear us down and wreck our lives. When we are at the lowest point we can reach, does he sustain us? No, he slinks away like a cur and leaves us to do the best we can with the shattered wreck he has made of us.

What is this light that Jesus said must not be put under a basket and hid but must be let shine before men so that they could see the light and glorify our Father which is in heaven. This light is the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ brought to this earth by Him during the meridian of time when He established His Church and showed men the pathway that led to peace, happiness and eternal

life, which is the greatest gift that was ever given to mankind.

Little by little we become God-like or "perfect" as Jesus puts it. We cannot become like God in one day or one year or one hundred years. But we must cover the ground that He has prepared and add to our perfection day by day or as Paul says, "Therefore not leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation

## Missionary Visits Historic Baptismal Pool

By Elder Parry D. Sorensen

(Former Associate-Editor the MILLENNIAL STAR)

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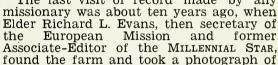
ANY thrilling tales of missionary work are contained within the covers of "Leaves From My Journal," including experiences both in America and in England Although it is difficult to single out any outstanding experience, the record of President Wilford Woodruff's labours in the farming country of Herefordshire, in the land of Great Britain is possibly best known to members of the Church.

In the space of eight months, President Woodruff converted and baptized eighteen hundred Herefordshire folk. Six hundred of them were members of a single congregation, the

United Brethren, and he baptized them in a small pool of water on the farm of John Benbow, where he made his headquarters.

That pool of water, cleared out by President Woodruff's own hands, has become almost legendary in British Mission history, and during the years I spent there as a missionary, I harboured an ambition to visit the old Benbow farm and see if the pool was still there.

The last visit of record made by any the Mission European and



the pool. Exact location of the farm was not known then, and it took him almost an entire day to find it.

Elder Sorensen

During a year and a half in the STAR office, I had occasion to make some study of British Mission history and get an idea of the location of the place. A description of its whereabouts written by Elder Evans in the Star and later in his "A Century of Mormonism in Great Britain" helped most. "Hill Farm, Castle Frome, Ledbury, Herefordshire," is the postal address, and from Elder Evans I knew that the town Castle Frome was situated between Ledbury and Worcester. I could never find Castle Frome, nor Frome's Hill, an adjacent village, on any map.

With such information the writer and Elder M. Warner Murphy left our lodge in Rochdale on July 27th last year to visit Hill Farm, and the baptismal pool. Rochdale is about 150 miles from Worcester, and we made our way via the hitch hike method.

Our journey took us over parts of the same route travelled by President Woodruff when he went to Herefordshire from

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#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1939

#### EDITORIAL

## Our Leaders

ISE is the man who heeds the words of the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ. These leaders are men inspired of God to lead, guide and direct individuals seeking the more noble way of life—the true Christian mode. The latest Christian greeting issued by the First Presidency to the members of the Church and to the world as a whole is:

"We proclaim to the peoples of the earth that Jesus is the Christ, the Only Begotten of the Father, the Redeemer of the World, the First Fruits of the Resurrection.

"We testify to the truth of His Own words when He said, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me'." (John 14: 6)

#### Deplore Spirit Of Anti-Christ

"WE deeply deplore the spirit of anti-Christ that is abroad in the world, and with sorrowing hearts contemplate the brutality of war and other forms of cruelty and injustice that even in this professedly enlightened age are still manifest.

"We declare that the Lord expects men to forsake the ways He has forbidden, and that He beckons them to come into the straight and narrow path which leads to peace and happiness.

#### Promise Of Joy Through Obedience

"WE admonish every man of high or low degree, and in whatever land, to act and live in accordance with the revealed will of the Lord, and we promise to every one of God's children who does so live, not only a joy in life and in living that nothing else can bring, but also salvation in the world to come, with an eternity of service, of unspeakable happiness, and a progression that shall never end.

"We thank God for His bounteous gifts to His children. We praise His name for His mighty works among men. We are ever grateful for His boundless mercy which we invoke upon both the righteous and the unrighteous. We pray that to darkened

minds there shall come light, and that to the righteous there shall come a fulness of blessing under God's wisdom."

#### The Wise Will Take Heed

HE MILLENNIAL STAR can make no better suggestion, following such a declaration, than: Wise is the man who heeds the words of the First Presidency. This valuable message is saturated with wisdom and love. We sincerely hope that each person contacting this greeting will drink of it.

As we look back upon the days of unsettledness, trouble. disorder, world-wide commotion and upheaval we should heartily thank God for the stabilizing influence of Our Leaders. We need but to look around us and observe the happenings of the day to appreciate the seriousness of the times. The world is in confusion. Men have lost in another. One-time one strong organizations have crumbled with the times, unable to cope with circumstances. Religious denominations have suffered setbacks with decreased attendances and individual devotion.

On every hand today it is evident that the cinema queue lines are becoming longer with each Sabbath day. It is true that many churches are losing their attraction. Members are being



President Heber J. Grant

drawn away by pleasure and a lack of interest. One-time regular church-attenders now confide that they do not see any value in attending their church. Pleasure is replacing prayer and devotion. The true significance of the Sabbath day has been lost, giving way to pleasure-making. Religion in this sense is failing. Proper and necessary religious guidance is being missed by thousands.

#### Our Appreciation Should Increase

As one ponders over in his mind such facts as the above mentioned, his appreciation for the Church of Jesus Christ and its Leaders increases. Through the trials and troubles of the day and the general tendency for mankind to turn from religion the Church rolls on, growing in size and giving its members continued guidance. Its solidness and unwaveringness are indeed testimonies to its stable foundation.

The Church rolls forth and will continue to do so since it is the Church of Jesus Christ and God-inspired men such as Presidents Heber J. Grant, J. Reuben Clark, Jr. and David O. McKay stand at the head. We thank God for such men and hope that British Latter-day Saints will show their appreciation for them by heeding their words unceasingly.

-Marvin J. Ashton

#### MISSIONARY VISITS HISTORIC BAPTISMAL POOL

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the Staffordshire pottery towns. It was afternoon when we left Rochdale, and about 8 p.m. we arrived in Worcester, with rain coming from the sky in bucketfulls.

Luckily, we made our way to the Midland red bus station, and there, on the wall, found a large scale map of the surrounding countryside, and after considerable searching, located the



Wilford Woodruff

towns of Castle Frome and Frome's Hill. Inquiring of the ticket agent as to bus service from Worcester to these towns, we were informed that a bus went out there twice a week, and the next one went in two days. He added, however, that a bus made one trip a day to the village of Cradley, five miles from Frome's Hill.

With such information, we decided to see if our hitch-hiking luck would hold out, so we set out in the direction of Frome's Hill. On the outskirts of Worcester we got a ride with a very obliging young man who went ten miles out of his way to take us right to the centre of Frome's Hill. Said town consisted of a "pub" on one side of the road,

a post office and a couple of houses on the other. Elder Evans termed it in his book as a "one pub" town. Well, here was the pub.

"Can you tell us where the Hill Farm is?" we asked a young man sitting on the steps of the pub named the "Wheatsheaf."

"Go down the road about a mile, turn left and go another mile," was his answer.

Although it was 10.30 then we thought that it wouldn't hurt to pay the Hill Farm a visit that evening and see if our luck was good enough to rate a place to sleep for the night.

The farm house is located a couple of hundred yards in from the road, and there were no lights burning when we walked up to the front door to the accompaniment of a dog's bark. Our first two knocks brought only more barks from the dog, but the third time a voice from the window above greeted us.

"Is this the Hill Farm," we asked.

"Yes,"

"Did the Mormons ever hold meetings and baptize people here." was our next question. Again came an affirmative reply.

We also asked if a Mormon missionary had visited the farm about ten years ago, were told that one had, and that the pool was still there. The man at the window told us to come around the next morning and he would be glad to show us around.

Next morning we visited the Hill Farm and were shown every courtesy by the proprietor, Leslie G. Farr, who well remembers the visit of Elder Evans a decade ago. The old baptismal pool is still there in the corner of a field near the house. The field slopes gently at that point, and the pool is surrounded on three sides by trees and hedge. It is fed by a natural spring.

It seemed as if we were standing on hallowed ground as we stood on the edge of that simple pool where 600 people entered the waters of baptism.

A tour of the farm and farmhouse followed. Although the house has been remodelled and additions built to it since the days of John Benbow, Mr. Farr was able to point out to us many of the features still there, the rooms where meetings were held, places where walls had been torn down, and doors still in use after more than a century.

The Hill Farm is one of the largest and finest in the surrounding country-side, but is off the beaten track. Surely there was a Power guiding the steps of Wilford Woodruff as he went his way through the country lanes of Herefordshire in 1840.

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of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God." (Hebrew 6: 1) In other words, don't let Satan undermine the foundation you have laid in the Gospei, for if you do, and have to build again, it will be easier to wash away again.

Let us hearken to the exhortation of the great servant of the Lord, Joshua, who said, "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, Choose you this day whom ye will serve; . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24: 15) Let us choose today whom we will serve and then serve the Lord with all our heart, might, mind and strength. "The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong, but to him that endureth to the end."

### News of the Church in the World

HAWAII, an island territory of the United States where is located a Mormon Temple, is to have another series of Church buildings erected there. Chief of the new structures is to be an elaborate tabernacle costing £60,000, and other buildings will include an auditorium, and headquarters buildings for the Chinese and Japanese missions on the islands. Finances

are being raised by local saints with huge public entertainments, and similar means. One remarkable gesture is expected to provide a large sum; many individual members are donating one month's salary towards the construction. The new buildings are expected to establish Hawaii as the spearhead for the mission of the South Sea Islands.

#### THE MASTER SPEAKS TODAY

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"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

To the Seventy He sent out to preach without purse or scrip, Jesus gave command that they should eat and drink of those to whom they came, for said He: "the labourer is worthy of his hire." No man shall take the fruits of the labour of another unless he shall pay him therefor. No man shall grind down and oppress his help—"the labourer is worthy of his hire." "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

To the servant who hid the one talent of his master in the earth and then returned it only to the master, the chiding came: "Thou wicked and slothful servant." To the one hiding the one talent in a napkin, the rebuke came: "Out of thine own mouth I will judge thee, thou wicked servant." The wicked husbandman who sought to cheat the householder of the fruits of his vineyard was to be destroyed.

To the unjust steward, the Lord said: "And if you have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?"

Employer, employee—to each comes the great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

This is eternal truth. It comes to man as he serves Jesus the Christ. Speaking to Pilate, who caught no gleam of the true light, and who put the eternal question, "What is truth?" Christ said:

"To this end was I born and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth heareth my voice."

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because of the immemorial Jewish tradition that this sort of thing would happen, one day. Our minds might be prepared for all sorts of things which, if they happened, would be rejected for their sheer improbability. But these men's minds did not reject these things. They accepted them implicitly. And at the risk of being a bore, I must reiterate the fact that they accepted something far more astonishing than a statement that the moon was made of cheese, or that little girls are made of 'sugar and spice and all things nice.' They accepted something infinitely more miraculous than that. They accepted Christian tradition."

With all my soul I believe with Peter that "there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." In that day Christ was real to Peter; and He is just as real today.

The whole philosophy of the progress of man is associated with His divine coming. He is the Son of God, who took upon Himself mortality even as you and I, yet divine even as you and I may become.

## Of Current Interest

SMOKE that hangs heavy over industrial centres, and which, with the fumes that accompany it, costs residents of those vicinities several pounds each in actual money every year, as well as giving them an uncomfortable and unhealthful environment, may soon be entirely eliminated. Large cities have taken it upon themselves to curb the nuisance as much as possible, but a new method of purification now makes the elimination of smoke not only desirable for those concerned, but also profitable for the factory itself. The smoke is passed through an electrical apparatus which separates and collects particles suspended in it, and the material gathered saves thousands of pounds every year which before were literally "going up in smoke." The process has been successfully applied to many factories, including various metallurgical operations, blast furnaces, electric furnaces, powdered fuel plants, paper mills, gas plants, etc.

EVIDENCE that the problem of alcohol is not limited to any country or hemisphere is brought forth with the report recently compiled, which states that the drink bill of South Australia costs more than the income tax paid. The total cost was £2,517.530, or over £4 per person. Although this is not so high as the 1926-27 record it shows a general trend of increase, as it has done since 1930, and boom proportions are expected again soon. South Australia pays £350,000 more for beer than it does in income taxation.

A SUBMARINE-AUTO has been invented by the man who first invented the submarine—Mr. Simon Lake. The designer maintains that the submarine was never invented for war purposes, and still looks forward to the time when it may serve a useful and peaceful occupation. His new development requires a "guardian" ship on the surface, making it unnecessary to carry large batteries, and minimizing equipment and weight generally. It is equipped with wheels to enable

it to go about on the ocean floor, and portholes are provided for observation and photography. Its chief purpose for the time being will be its use by scientists in helping to solve research problems of ocean depths. Commercial usage for the gathering of shell fish, sponges and other ocean products, and even for drilling oil wells under water, are visualized by its inventor.

THE PIONEER municipal electric lighting apparatus, installed less than three-score years ago by Thomas A. Edison, has been recently auctioned, several museums bidding tor the possession. Some of the citizens in Pennsylvania, U.S.A., where it was sold, still remembered the day 55 years ago when the current first entered the glass bulbs, setting the pace for light all over the world since that time.

ICELAND is the only country in the world without a war organization of any kind. Not one soldier, warship, or fighting plane is maintained by the people, who recently celebrated the anniversary of the state's sovereignty. Other historical and present-day accomplishments are deserving of mention. It has the oldest Parliament in the world, founded in the year 930 A.D.; its language has remained unchanged for 1,000 years and every adult in its borders can read and write; and its per capita fish harvest and foreign trade is larger than any other country in the world.

ICEBERGS, long a menace to Atlantic shipping until checked by an international patrol system, are comparatively rare in the Pacific ocean. However, a huge specimen was sighted off the coast of Hawaii recently, in waters considered semitropical. This is the first report of an iceberg that far south in the Pacific, officials estimating that it must have drifted at least 3,000 miles. The temperature of the water in the area was around 75 degrees at the time of the report.

### From the Mission Field

#### Departing Missionaries-





Marie Waldram

Elder Forsgren

Marie Waldram, who laboured as a lady missionary on circuit, in Scottish District and in the British Mission Office as Mission Primary Superviser, was honourably released on Thursday, January 12th, and will return to her home in Sugar City, Idaho.

Elder A. Ferron Forsgren, who has laboured in Nottingham District, Bristol District, where he was supervising elder, and in the European Mission office as mission secretary, was honourably released on Thursday, January 12th, and will return to his home in Salt Lake City, Utah.

#### Transfers-

On Thursday, January 12th, the following transfers were made effective: Elders William G. Woffinden (Millennial Chorus) and Mac C. Matheson (Irish District) to Hull District; Elder Benjamin K. Wallace (Birmingham District) to Irish District; Elders Ivan D. Voorhees (Millennial Chorus) and John R. Briggs (Hull District) to Leeds District; Elders George S. Walker (South Newcastle District) and G. LaMont Richards (Nottingham District) and Sister Ellen Rose (Irish District) to Liverpool District; Elders Daniel G. Heaton (Hull District) and Lee L. Frodsham (Sheffield District) and Sisters Aloa Dixon (Hull District) and Marianne Wiscomb (Irish District) to Manchester District; Elder Richard B. Mendenhall (Millennial Chorus) to South Newcastle District; Elder Myron R. Brown (Manchester District) to North Newcastle District; Elder Byron A. Howard (North Newcastle District) to Nottingham District; Elder James Alvin Campbell (Irish District) to Scottish District; Elder Mark Hammond (Nottingham District) to Sheffield District; Elder G. Dayton Hughes (Sheffield District) to Welsh District; Elder M. Floyd Clark (Leeds District) to the British Mission Office; Elder William W. Winder (Scottish District) to London District; Sisters Doris Pratt (Liverpool District) and Anna Saunders (Hull District) and Elder Wendell D. Jenkins (Liverpool District) to Birmingham District; and Elder J. Carl Blake (Newcastle District) to Bristol. District.

#### Appointments-

Elder William G. Woffinden was appointed supervising elder of Hull District on Thursday, January 12th.

Elder Richard B. Mendenhall was appointed supervising elder of South Newcastle District on Thursday, January 12th.

#### Doings in the Districts-

BIRMINGHAM—On Monday, December 26th, 50 members and friends attended a Christmas party given by Nuneaton Branch at the Masonic Hall. Games were played, with prizes for the winners, after which dancing was enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the Relief Society members.

Handsworth Branch M.I.A. held a New Year's eve conçert and dance on Saturday, December 31st, with approximately 60 people in attendance. A supper was served, followed by a skit presented by Supervising Elder A. Lucian Lewis and Elders Douglas H. Brammer, Ben K. Wallace, Samuel S. Musser and Donald S. Griffin. A three act play was given with Sisters Alice Collins, Violet Grundy and Jesse Goode, Miss Hilda Hirons and Miss May Coley in the cast; and Brother Alvin Thomas, Sisters Faith Dunn and Mary Joseph and Miss Una Richardson presented a two act play. Other items were given by Brother

George Makin, Sister Winifred Makin, and Elders Lewis and Brammer, and dancing completed the activities. The committee in charge of the party included Brothers Alvin Thomas, Melvin Dunn, Arthur Makin, and Sisters Alice Collins, Violet Grundy, Jesse Goode and Dora Green.

IRISH—A musical evening in the branch hall was sponsored recently by Belfast Branch M.I.A. The programme included the following numbers: Tap dances, Miss Ena Bannatyne and Sister Dinah Ferguson; recitations, Sister Joan Taggart and Miss Ellie Dougherty; a conjuring display by Mr. E. D. Gar; vocal solos, Sister Ellen Rose, lady missionary, and Elder Mac C. Matheson; vocal duet, Sister Etta McAlpin and Brother Norman Herst; a monologue by Brother Reginald R. Brown of London; humorous stories, Elder John A. Shaw; piano solo by Mr. Brian Tierney; and a dancing and marching display by the Keep Fit Girls. Supervising Elder Glen H. Grimmett was in charge of the programme, and the proceeds of the evening will be used for new M.I.A. song books.

A display of Irish dancing was given by the Belfast Keep Fit Girls in the Cooperative Hall recently. Over 400 people were in attendance.

A tableau was presented by the Primary children as a feature of the special Christmas day service held in Belfast Branch. Sister Agnes Gillespie was the reader for the tableau; a retold story was presented by Sister Maeve Harkins; Sister Etta McAlpine sang a solo; and Sister Mary Anderson conducted the service.

An evening of drama, music and games was arranged by the Belfast Branch on Tuesday, December 27th. A dance was given by Miss Ena Bannatyne and Sister Dinah Ferguson, a monologue by Elder Mac C. Matheson, solos by Sister Edna W. Boud and Elder Mark P. Lyman. The Sunday School presented a play, produced by Elder Matheson, and with the following cast: Elder Cyril J. Thorne, Brother Joseph Ditty and Sisters Ruby Gillen, Etta McAlpin, and Agnes Gillespie. Bro-

ther Joseph Ditty was master of ceremonies for the evening.

At a Watch Night service held in Belfast Branch, Elders Mac C. Matheson and John A. Shaw were the speakers. At the close of the service Brother Joseph Ditty, of the district presidency, presented to Brother and Sister Joseph W. Darling a clock as a gift from the members and friends of the branch in commemoration of the couple's recent marriage. Sister Edna W. Bond gave a vocal solo and Sister Agnes Gillespie conducted the

LIVERPOOL-A variety social was held on Tuesday, December 27th, in Wigan Branch Hall. Vocal numbers were given by Sisters Mary Finsley and Frances Rickard and Brother Wil-liam Worrell, which were followed by community singing with Mr. John Cranshaw at the piano. Comic Lancashire stories and poems were presented by Sisters Madeline Ellison and Edna Heyes, and Mr. Joseph Cranshaw gave a "laughing song." Elder Roscoe G. Booth charge of the programme, Elder Sterling G. Jacobson directed the games, and refreshments were under the direction of Sisters Nellie Parkinson and Joan Brindle, Mrs. Edith Heyes and Mrs. Annie Morris. Dancing by the group of 50 in attendance concluded the evening's activities.

Members and friends of Preston Branch met in a New Year's social and dance on Saturday, December 31st. Singing, dancing and games were led by Brothers Harry D. Foster and Clifford Hartley, which were followed by refreshments served by the Y.W.M.I.A. organization. Proceeds were given to the branch building fund.

LONDON—The M Men and Gleaner Girls of South London Branch sponsored a skating party on December 29th, under the direction of Elder David S. King, Y.M.M.I.A. president, with members of the Millennial Chorus also in attendance. The M Men provided the skating tickets, and following the party the Gleaner Girls served a supper at the branch chapel,

Newcastle — Sunderland Branch Primary and Sunday School organizations held their annual party in the branch hall on Monday, January 2nd. Sister Gladys Quayle directed the games and Elder Byron A. Howard presented gifts to the children. Refreshments were served by the Relief Society, followed by a programme presented by the children. Sister Ellen Oates, Sunday School superintendent and Sister Quayle, Primary mother, arranged the party.

Norwich — On Saturday, December 31st. Norwich Branch M.I.A. held a social, with Brother William T. Rayner and Elder Scott R. Clawson conducting the programme of humorous sketches, recitations, musical numbers, tap dancing and impersonations. Those taking part on the programme were Sisters Florence Fitt, Margaret Simpson, Elsie Steward, Marjorie Steward, Doreen Newhouse, Nora Newhouse and Lily Drew; Elders Scott R. Clawson and Milton D. Garfield; Brothers Alfred Woodhouse, Cyril J. Durrant and William Drew; and Mr. Maurice Boudfoot.

Great Yarmouth Branch held its annual children's Christmas Party on Thursday, January 5th. Games were directed by Brother Albert A. Cole, assisted by Elders Lyle M. Ward and Richard P. Smoot, and Mr. Bert Brightman. Refreshments were prepared by Sister Violet M. Cole.

Primary children of Lowestoft Branch were entertained on Friday, December 23rd, at a party given in the branch chapel under the direction of Sister Annie Stafford, Primary mother, and her counsellors, Sisters Ruby Boar and Violet Jackson, assisted by Elders Clovis H. Jordan and G. Venoy Gay. In the evening a play was presented by the children to an audience of over 80 members and friends. Others con-

tributing to the programme included Sisters Stafford, Boar and Jackson, and Brothers Herbert and Cecil Parker and William Sansom. Fifty-one children were in attendance.

NOTTINCHAM — A Primary social was held in Eastwood Branch on Tuesday, January 3rd. Games were played by the adults and children present, under the direction of the Primary mother, Margaret Wild, assisted by her counsellors. A generous gift of food was presented to each child at the close of the party. Those contributing towards these gifts were Sisters Suzan Welch, Ada Hill, Sarah Potts, Lilian Williams, Lily Fletcher, Ethel Booth, Margaret and Annie Wild, Mary Hill and Brother George S. Allen.

SHEFFIELD-On Wednesday, January 5th, a Primary and Sunday School children's party was held in Rawmarsh Branch. ments were served to the chilfollowed by games. dren. short play was presented by the members of the organizations, and prizes were given to those with the best attendance records for the year. Those in charge were Sister Mary Elizabeth I'anson-Holton, Primary mother, and her two counsellors, Sisters Elsie May Quinney and Olive Snow, assisted by other officers of the Primary and Sunday School.

A New Year's eve dance was held in Sheffield Branch Chapel, under the auspices of the M.I.A. and Relief Society organizations.

On Saturday, January 7th, a district drama festival and social was held in Sheffield Branch Chapel. Each of the four branches presented a play in the afternoon, and these were followed by an evening of dancing. Brother John l'anson-Holton and Sister Winifred Bailey were in charge of the activities.

#### DEATH

FIELDING—On Sunday, December 25th, Brother Henry Fielding of Sheffield District died, at the age of 81. Funeral services were conducted by Supervising Elder Willard L.

Kimball at the home, and burial took place in the Woodhouse cemetery, Elder Jack W. Brailsford dedicating the grave.

#### LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

(All meetings begin at 6.30 Sunday evenings unless otherwise indicated.)

Merthyr Tydfil: L. D. S. Chapel, Gateshead: Aberdeen: Westfield Hall, Corn Exchange. Hadden Street, Off Market Street. Penyard Road. Westfield Terrace. Middlesbrough:
L. D. S. Hall,
188, Linthorpe Road. Glasgow: L. D. S. Hall, Accrington 4. Nelson Street. \*L.D.S. Hall, Oyer 9, Church St. Nelson: \*L. D. S. Hall, 10, Hibson Road. Gravesend: Freeborn Hall, Peacock Street. Airdrie: L. D. S. Hall, 40, Hallcraig Street. Great Yarmouth:
L. D. S. Hall,
33a, Regent Street.
Grimsby: Northampton: \*L. D. S. Chapel, 89, St. Michael's Road. Barnsley: Arcade Buildings. Batley: \*L. D. S. Hall, Purwell Lane. Nottingham: Thrift Hall, L. D. S. Hall, 8, Southwell Road. Pasture Street. Halifax: Belfast: Norwich: \*L. D. S. Hall.
35, Brinton Terrace,
Off Hansen Lane. Arcade Buildings, 122, Upper North St. Birmingham: L.D.S. Chapel, L. D. S. Chapel, 60. Park Lane. Nuneaton: Hucknall: Masonic Hall. 23, Booth Street. \*Byron Buildings. Oldham: Handsworth. Hull: L. D. S. Hall, Neville Street. L. D. S. Chapel, Wellington Lane, and Council Schools, Stratford Road, Plymouth: Berkeley Street. Sparkbrook. L. D. S. Hall, 34, Park Street, Tavistock Road. Blackburn. Hvde:L.D.S. Hall, Reynolds Street. L. D. S. Hall, Saving Bank Chambers, Pontllanfraith: Kidderminster: Lord Street, West. Enquire: L. D. S. Chapel, Park Street. Bolton: 81, Brynteg Street. Corporation Preston, Lancs:
L. D. S. Hall,
7, Lords Walk,
Off North Road. Leeds: Chambers. \*L. D. S. Hall, Bradford: 5. Westfield Road. L. D. S. Chapel, Woodlands Street, Leicester. All Saints' Open, Great Central Street. Rawmarsh. Off City Road. L. D. S. Hall, Brighton: Main Street. Letchworth:105, Queen's Road. Rochdale: L. D. S. Chapel, Lower Shcriff St. Vasanta Hall, Gernon Walk. Bristol: L. D. S. Hall, Zion Rd., Liverpool: off Clarence Road. Sheffield: L. D. S. Chapel, 301, Edge Lane. Burnley: \$L. D. S. Chapel, 1, Liverpool Road, L. D. S. Chapol, Corner of Ellesmere London: L. D. S. Chapel, 59, Clissold Rd., N.16. Ravenslea Chapel, and Lyons Roads. Rosegrove. Shildon: Carlisle: \*L.D.S. Hall, L. D. S. Hall, Scotch Street. 100, Main Street. 149, Nightingale Lane S.W.12. Skelton:Cheltenham-Stroud: Liberal Association Downham Fellowship Theosophical Hall, Hall, 13a, Queen's St. Margaret's Ter., Off North Place, Club, between 29 & 30, Arcus Rd., off Glenbow Street, Redcar-on-Sea South Shields: L. D. S. Chapel, 98, Fowler Street. Rd., Catford. Cheltenham. Ivy Hall, Wellesley Road, Gunnersbury, W.4. Clayton: \*Central Hall. Albans: Derbu: 49, Spencer Street. Loughborough: Adult School. Unity Hall. Sunderland: Doncaster: \*L. D. S. Hall, Lowestoft:
L. D. S. Hall,
20, Clapham Road. L.D.S. Chapel, 18, Tunstall Road. Trafford Street. Tipton, Wolverhampton L. D. S. Hall, Dublin: L. D. S. Hall, Luton: Dallow Road Hall. Corner of Dallow and Naseby Roads. Washington Building 8, Merrion Row. Eastwood: Berry Street. Varteg: Library, Church St. Edinburgh: Memorial Hall. Mansfield: West Hartlepool: L. D. S. Chapel, 39a, Albert Street. Manchester: Ruskin House, 15, Windsor Street. 7, Osborne Road. L.D.S. Hall, Gainsborough:

88, Clarendon Road. C. on M.

+-7.00 p.m.

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\*L. D. S. Hall, Curtis Yard.

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